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SUBJECT: ORAL REPLY TO PRIME MINISTER BHUTTO'S LETTER
TO SECRETARY

ATHERTON CONVEYED TO AMBASSADOR YAQUB KHAN EVENING MAY 4
THE FOLLOWING ORAL MESSAGE FOR HIM TO PASS TO PRIME
MINISTER BHUTTO: BEGIN TEXT:

-- THE SECRETARY HAS RECEIVED THE PRIME MINISTER'S REPLY
TO HIS LETTER OF APRIL 29.

-- AS HE HAS PREVIOUSLY EMPHASIZED, THERE IS NO BASIS FOR
THE CHARGES OF U.S. INTERFERENCE IN PAKISTAN'S DOMESTIC
AFFAIRS.

-- THE SECRETARY AGREES WITH THE PRIME MINISTER THAT THERE
IS VALUE IN MAINTAINING THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN PAKISTAN
AND THE UNITED STATES. HE HAS NOTED THE PRIME MINISTER'S
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SUGGESTION THAT HE VISIT ISLAMABAD FOR A PERSONAL MEETING.

-- THE SECRETARY'S SCHEDULE FOR THE NEXT SEVERAL WEEKS
MAKES IT IMPOSSIBLE FOR HIM TO CONSIDER ANY ADDITIONAL
COMMITMENTS. HE AGREES, HOWEVER, THAT A FRANK AND HIGH-
LEVEL EXCHANGE OF VIEWS BETWEEN US WOULD BE IMPORTANT AT
THIS TIME AND THEREFORE HOPES THAT THERE WILL BE AN

OPPORTUNITY FOR HIM TO MEET WITH MR. AZIZ AHMED DURING THE
CENTO MEETING IN TEHRAN. END TEXT. VANCE

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